GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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ALLOTMENT OF DEFENCE LAND TO PRIVATE PARTIES
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Director General of the Defence Estate is empowered to allot land under his jurisdiction for commercial activities to private parties;

(b) if so, the details of Government`s policy in this regard;

(c) the details of such cases alongwith the rate at which the land was allotted in each case during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government have received any complaints for misuse of such lands by the allottees during the said period; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) & (b): As per the provisions in Cantonment Land Administration Rules, 1937, Defence Estates Officers (DEOs) and Cantt. Boards are empowered to allot land, under their respective management, to private parties on short term licence basis for purposes like stacking of material, travelling circus, exhibitions and melas etc.

(c) to (e): The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.